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ABSTRACT

This text provides information about the impact of multiculturalism on services for individuals with communication disorders. It examines the involvement of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) and multicultural speech, language, and hearing organizations as they respond to the challenges created by multiculturalism. An introductory chapter presents an overview of the roles and responsibilities of audiologists and speech-language pathologists. Subsequent chapters focus on: (1) multicultural participation in the professions of audiology and speech-language pathology; (2) the ASHA and cultural diversity; (3) the Black Caucus of the ASHA; (4) the National Black Association for Speech Language and Hearing, the Native American Caucus of the ASHA, and the Hispanic Caucus of the ASHA; (5) legal and ethical issues in communication disorders affecting multicultural populations; (6) development of Black English vernacular; (7) counseling minorities in communication disorders; (8) communication disorders among multicultural populations; and (9) profiles of audiologists and speech-language pathologists representing diverse cultural and linguistic groups. (Contains approximately 120 references.) (JDD)

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